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RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.115

Sir:

This Response pursuant to 37 C.F.R. Section 1.115 is in response to the Examiner's Action dated 4 June 2004 in which claims 1-19 are pending, 1-13 and 19 were withdrawn subject to a restriction requirement, and 14-18 were rejected in connection with the above-identified patent application. A Response to this Office Action is due 4 September 2004. Hence, this Response is timely filed.

Applicant requests that the Examiner consider the following Amendment and Response, withdraw the pending rejections, and pass the above-identified application to issue.

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